**General Background Notes**

*The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*

Rich and poor

**Class division**

How does this compare to what we learned in *The Pearl*?

What does it mean to be a woman in 1832in the upper class?

That is educated?

That is mannerly?

That is articulate?

Who is the organizer / supervisor of the household?

1. nanny
2. cook
3. housekeeper

“Breach of decorum”

1. What does this mean?
2. Look for examples as you read throughout the book.
3. Keep a separate page in your notebook with examples as you read.
4. This will become helpful on future projects.

**Societal Structure Order**

*Rich adult bosses everyone*

*Rich kids boss poor adults and poor kids*

*Poor adults boss poor kids*

*Poor kids boss no one*

\*\*\*\*\* **Blasphemy** for even a poor adult to say something bad about a rich kid (hint: If you don’t know what blasphemy means, look it up as your first vocabulary word; you will need to know it’s definition ☺)

What is charity work and how is it important at this time period and during this story? Who did most of the charity work during this time period? Why?

Story takes place in first person point of view

The story is told after it happens

Lots of foreshadows in this book

Please keep a list as we read ( This should be a separate page in your notebook)